

Manager's Newsletter

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TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES CONTRACT FOR PHASE III OF THE STORMWATER DRAINAGE STUDY

On July 5, 2011, the Town Council approved the contract between the Town of Kitty Hawk and Albemarle and Associates for the purpose of completing Phase III of the ongoing Storm Drainage Study. The Phase III of the study will consist of evaluating areas discussed at the Public Meetings for possible solutions, preliminary design of required structures to handle groundwater in the areas evaluated, cost estimates for final design, permitting, and construction, determination of potential funding sources, preparation of draft and final report, conducting a third public meeting, presentation to the Town Council and NCDOT of the final report, and coordination with the Town staff. According to the agreement, Albemarle and Associates should be ready to conduct the public meeting in October of this year as well as presenting the final document to the Town Council. The Town staff intends to send out notices of the time and date of the next public meeting.

Update on Sandy Run Phase II Park Project

The Town Manager and the Director of Planning and Inspection met with Mike Strader and Brian Rubino of Quible and Associates on June 24th to get an update on the Sandy Run Park Phase II Project. Mr. Strader presented two copies of the construction plans and the project manual for the project. In addition, Mr. Strader informed us that they have received approval of the Modifications to the Major CAMA permit and the Corps of Engineers permit. The project was advertised in the Coastland Times on July 3, 2011 and a pre-bid conference was held on July 19th. The bids for the project will be held at the Kitty Hawk Municipal Building on August 9, 2011 and we hope to present a contract for approval of the Town Council at the September 6th Council meeting. Should the necessary bonds and contracts be submitted and signed in September, we could be under construction in October of this year.



Recreation Committee To Meet on Tuesday, July 26
6:00 PM
Town Hall
Public Encouraged to Attend

Staying Safe During A Storm

The safety of your family is the most important consideration. Since floodwaters can rise very rapidly, you should be prepared to evacuate before the water level reaches your property. During the storm, the following tips may be helpful:

- Keep a battery-powered radio tuned to a local station and/or tune into Government Access Channel (Cable Channel 20 or WRSF 105.7 FM radio).
- Follow emergency instructions as they are given. If you are unable to evacuate, go to your safe room.
- If you do not have one, follow these guidelines.
 - Stay indoors during a hurricane and away from windows and glass doors, close all interior doors—secure and brace external doors.
 - ♦ Keep curtains and blinds closed. Do not be fooled if there is a lull it could be the eye of the storm and winds will pick up again.
 - ♦ Take refuge in a small interior room, closet, or hallway on the lowest level.
 - Lie on the floor under a table or another sturdy object.
 - ♦ Keep warm clothing, a flashlight and a portable radio with you.
 - Then wait for help. Don't try to swim to safety. Rescue teams will look for you.

If, and only if, time permits . . . there are several precautionary steps that can be taken:

- Turn off all utilities at the main power switch and close the main gas valve if evacuation appears necessary.
- Move valuable items to upper floors or higher elevations.
- Fill bathtubs, sinks, and jugs with clean water in case regular supplies are contaminated. You can sanitize these items by first rinsing in bleach.
- Board up windows or protect them with storm shutters to prevent flying glass.
- Bring outdoor possessions inside the house or tie them down securely. This includes lawn furniture, garbage cans, tools, and other movable objects that might be swept away or hurled about.
- Stock the car with blankets, first aid kit, flashlights, dry clothing, and any special medication needed by your family. Park the car in an area safe from rising waters.

Important things you **DO NOT** do during a flood

When outside the house, remember: WATER DEPTHS DURING FLOODS ARE DECEPTIVE. Try to avoid flooded areas, and **DO NOT** attempt to walk through floodwaters that are more than knee deep. **DO NOT** drive where water is standing on the road. Parts of the road may already be washed out. If your car stalls in a flooded area, **DO NOT** remain in the car. Abandon it as soon as possible and seek higher ground. Floodwaters can rise rapidly and sweep a car (and its occupants) away. Many deaths have resulted from attempts to move stalled vehicles. Avoid areas subject to sudden flooding. **DO NOT** try to cross a flowing stream where water is above your knees. You could be swept away by strong currents. **DO NOT** sightsee in flooded areas and **DO NOT** make unnecessary trips.

Information From the Kitty Hawk Outreach Spring Project 2011 Flyer. For more information visit www.townofkittyhawk.org

Planning Board Meeting Summary

At its meeting on July 14th, the Kitty Hawk Planning Board considered a variety of issues. In its first matter, the Board considered a proposal from 158 Surf & Skate to eliminate restrictions on the number of days and times of the year that costumed mascots and wavers can be used to advertise businesses. 158 Surf & Skate has a skateboard costume that they would like to use for this purpose. After discussing several alternatives and the pros-and-cons of the proposal, the Board



members voted unanimously to recommend denial of the application, citing traffic safety and aesthetic concerns. This application will proceed to Town Council for final consideration.

Next, the Planning Board considered amendments to the Town's standards for motor vehicle dealerships. In order to accommodate a proposed project, the applicant proposed to reduce the minimum lot size for such uses from six acres to 0.75 acre and make minor amendments to the access requirements. After discussing the history of the current standards and needs of this type of business, the Board members voted unanimously to recommend approval of the proposed changes. This application will proceed to Town Council for final consideration.

Picking up an item that was discussed at its previous meeting, the Planning Board reviewed a text amendment that would allow home occupations in the Kitty Hawk Woods (KHW) zoning district. After discussing the issue, the Board members voted unanimously to recommend that home occupations be permitted, under the same conditions as other residential districts, in the Kitty Hawk Woods (KHW) zoning district. This application will proceed to Town Council for final consideration.

The Planning Board then considered a proposal to redevelop the vacant service station at 6100 N. Croatan Highway (SW corner of The Woods Road and Croatan Highway) as a motor and electric vehicle dealership including the sale, rental, and service of motor and electric vehicles and an electric vehicle charging station. Among other issues, the Board members evaluated access to the property, parking, vehicle display, and building design. After careful review, the Board voted unanimously to recommend approval of the site plan and conditional use permits for the proposed uses. This application will proceed to Town Council for final consideration.

The final application of the meeting was a request to establish a shared parking arrangement to accommodate parking needs in the Ocean Centre shopping center at 5230 N. Virginia Dare Trail. Vilai's Thai Kitchen would like to expand its operation from a take-out business to a restaurant during evening hours. As two other businesses within Ocean Centre are closed at those hours, the Board members found that the criteria were met and voted unanimously to recommend approval of the conditional use permit for shared parking. This application will proceed to Town Council for final consideration

Kitty Hawk Fire Department is Awarded Child Safety Seat



The Kitty Hawk Fire Department is a Permanent Checking Station of Child Safety Passenger Seats. There are five certified car seat technicians on our staff, who install child safety seats and also check on the safety of already installed seats. We were recently awarded a Grant from the North Carolina Department of Insurance/Office of State Fire Marshal and the North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program. Thank you to Captain J. P. Askew and Carol Ferry for their work on the grant application process. The Grant provided funds that allowed us to purchase signs and an all-weather table and chairs to be used for community events when child safety seats are checked. We also routinely install child safety seats at the Station and check on proper installation of installed seats. Please stop by the Station if you need child safety seat installation assistance.

Calls for Emergency Service – June 2011

During the month of June 2011, there were 103 calls for emergency service. The breakdown is as follows:

Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	
Automatic/Mutual Aid Given	8
Bomb scare – no bomb	1
Brush, or brush and grass mixture fire	2
Building fire	1
Detector activation, no fire – unintentional	4
Detector activation due to malfunction	2
Dispatched and cancelled enroute	5
Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	3
False alarm or false call	2
Fire in structures other than a building	1
Grass fire	1
Lock-out	2
Medical calls	52
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident	1
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	8
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	2
Natural vegetation fire, other	1
Passenger vehicle fire	1
Person in distress	1
Power line down	1
Surf rescue	2
Unauthorized burning	1

Scam Alert



A resident of Colington was recently contacted by telephone by a person who was soliciting donations for equipment, apparently for the Colington Fire Department. The caller hung up when the citizen told him he was going to verify the information. Unfortunately, there was no Caller ID available. The Colington resident contacted the Colington Fire Department, and the Dare County Sheriff's office was alerted about the potential scam.

Please be aware that the Kitty Hawk Fire Department does not conduct fundraising by phone. We do conduct an annual fundraising campaign by mail, and the Fire Department Association conducts a few fundraising events during the year. If you should be contacted by phone by anyone soliciting contributions, please contact the Fire Department to verify the information.

Police Department Activities for June 2011

During the month of June 2011, there were 103 calls for emergency service. The breakdown is as follows:

Calls for Service: 917

Criminal Investigations Initiated: 30

Traffic Accidents Investigated: 34

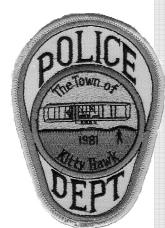
Residence Checks 47
Business Checks: 312

Foot Patrol: 74

Request for Mutual Aid from other Departments: 6

Citations Issued: 176
Warnings Issued: 171

Arrests: 50

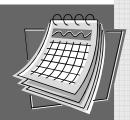


Town Calendar and Reminders

Recreation Committee Meeting- Tuesday, July 26, 6:00 pm

Town Council Meeting—Monday, August 1, 6:00 pm

Council Meeting Aired on Government Access—Channel 20 Thursday, August 4 and Sunday, August 7 at 1:00 and 7:00 pm



Kitty Hawk Fire Department is Recruiting Volunteers Incentives Available Call 252-261-2666 for more information.



The Town of Kitty Hawk's newsletter is prepared two times per month and sent electronically to anyone who wants to receive it. Paper copies of the newsletter are available at Town Hall. The newsletter does not present or represent opinions of the Town Council.

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